



# Parish Newsletter Cooleragh- Staplestown

21<sup>st</sup>-22<sup>nd</sup> January 2023

3<sup>RD</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

PLEASE TAKE ONE HOME WITH YOU

## Office Hours & Mass Times

Office Hours 9.30am -12 noon, Tue  
Thur & Fri Office closed Wednesday.  
Email; [standco100@gmail.com](mailto:standco100@gmail.com).  
Office landline 045 860281  
Newsletter deadline Wednesday  
11.59pm.  
Parish Priest; Fr. John

### Anniversaries this Weekend

6.30pm Sean Reilly Timahoe  
Barney Kenna Coill Dubh  
Mark Cronly Coill Dubh

8.30am Mark Cronly Coill Dubh  
Kitty O'Keeffe

### Anniversaries next Weekend

6.30pm John Cadden Coill Dubh  
P.J. Curtin Blackwood  
Mick Hanefy Coill Dubh

8.30pm MM Kieran Melia Coolrea

11.15am MM Maureen Dempsey  
Gilltown & her husband's John  
anniversary  
MM Tony Kelly Timahoe his wife  
Patty & son Ger  
Brigid Tierney Cooligmartin  
Bill & Sheila Comerford

## Envelope & Offertory Collections

Parish Envelopes Total €650  
Offertory Collection €811  
THANK YOU.

## Ministers of the Word & Eucharist for next week 28-29 January



Christ the King Cooleragh  
6.30pm Ann Mooney  
8.30am Blathnaid Tennyson

St Benignus Staplestown  
11.15am Paul Stack



Christ the King Cooleragh  
6.30pm Fiona Murphy  
8.30am Catherine Harney

St Benignus Staplestown  
11.15am Liam Holton & Geraldine  
Brennan

## School Enrolment



We are now open for enrolment for September 2023. If you wish to enrol your child in our school for next year, all relevant forms are available to download on our website [www.staplestownns.ie](http://www.staplestownns.ie) and can be submitted to the office upon completion.



Coill Dubh N.S  
Naas, Co. Kildare

Enrolment Takes Place From



12th Jan  
- 2nd Feb

Website:

[www.coilldubhns.ie](http://www.coilldubhns.ie)

Phone:

045 860023

**Feast Days this Week****Tuesday:** St Francis de Sales**Wednesday:** St Paul**Thursday:** Ss Timothy & Titus**Friday** St Angela Merici**Saturday:** St Thomas Aquinas**Mortgage Arrears / Abhaile Scheme**

Are you in mortgage arrears? Are you worried about losing your home?

If so, there is help. You may be entitled to Government support under the Abhaile Scheme.

For more information, feel free to contact Tatiana McGreal, Financial Solutions Ireland on 085 867 4883 [www.fsireland.ie](http://www.fsireland.ie)

**Art Classes**, Staplestown Church

Hall will recommence

on Mon next 23rd from

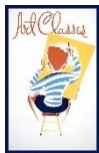
10am-12 &amp; 7-9pm &amp;

Tue 24th 10am-12. The

5-week course will take

a look at Watercolour, Acrylic, Oils + some sketching. Max of 7 per class in friendly & relaxed space. Further

details contact 085 8466020

**Week of Prayer for Christian Unity (WPCU) January 18 – 25, 2023**

Here in Ireland, this year of 2023 marks two important anniversaries of key events of the journey towards Christian Unity. This year is the centenary of the formation of the Irish Council of Churches and it also marks the 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Ballymascanlon Meetings between the Catholic Church and other Christian Churches on the island of Ireland in 1973, a structure that is now the Irish Inter-Church Meeting. Today, these are the bodies for inter-church dialogue in Ireland as

we continue to work together for peace, reconciliation and social justice.

As we know, that work is unfinished; sectarianism is still, sadly, a major problem in communities and political life in the north while the growth of racism is increasingly evident across the island. The current cost of living crisis and the effects of the war in Ukraine add to the turmoil.

It is in this context that we mark the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity this year- giving thanks for the progress made by the Churches at various levels over the decades but seeking to place our continuing journey of witness to Christ's desire for unity alongside his radical call to discipleship and social justice.

Further resources can be accessed by clicking on the link: [Week of Prayer for Christian Unity 2023 - Irish Council of Churches and Irish Inter Church Meeting \(irishteaching.com\)](http://www.irishteaching.com/Week-of-Prayer-for-Christian-Unity-2023-Irish-Council-of-Churches-and-Irish-Inter-Church-Meeting)

“Being Christian is not the result of an ethical choice or a lofty idea, but the encounter with an event, a person, which gives life a new horizon and a decisive direction.”

**Deus Caritas Est****Pope Emeritus Benedict XVI****ST. BRIGID'S CAMINO WALK ON BANK HOLIDAY MONDAY 6<sup>th</sup>**

**FEBRUARY** St. Brigid is reputed to have been born in the Townsland of Umeras. Just outside Monasterevin, Co. Kildare.

A bus will leave the Parish Church Monasterevin at 10.30 am to Mountrice and return to Mountrice at 2.00 pm. For those who wish to avail, payment on the bus.

To Commemorate Brigid, Monasterevin Parish have organised a Camino Walk in her honour. Starting at St. Brigid's Shrine at Mountrice on the Monasterevin – Rathangan Road (R414) @ **11 am on Monday 6<sup>th</sup> February** (walk is approx. 6km). Car parking provided at Mountrice Cross. The Walk will be led by Bishop Denis Nulty and will journey via Umeras then along the New Canal Blue Way, finishing in St. Peter & Pauls Church Monasterevin with a service of light at 12.30 pm.

All those who participate will be issued with a special St. Brigid Camino passport that will be stamped at St Peter & Pauls Church and will be given a certificate to say they have completed the Camino.

St Brigid's Crosses and refreshments will be provided on the day.

For more information, please contact Monasterevin Parish office: 045 525346.

All WELCOME.